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**From:** Wharton, Steve  
**Sent:** Fri 8/14/2015 6:04:10 PM  
**Subject:** RE: cjack water pool

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Thanks,  
Steve

**From:** Jenkins, Joy  
**Sent:** Friday, August 14, 2015 11:43 AM  
**To:** Wharton, Steve  
**Subject:** FW: cjack water pool

Please see below for correspondence with the design team for Captain Jack -- read Craig's email first, then mine. I think we'll need to have some discussions on this and see if there is additional information that can be gathered from the site.

Thanks – Joy

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**From:** Jenkins, Joy  
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**To:** 'Weber, Craig L'; Boardman - CDPHE, Mary  
**Cc:** Ivancie, Paul  
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Thanks Craig,

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I also don't have all the facts from the OSC's that were working on the Gold King yet, So the following information is not official and should only be viewed by our Captain Jack Team:

My understanding is that the American Tunnel was plugged many years ago (around 2002?) and the Red and Bonita have not yet been plugged. Removal program work was underway toward that effort but no plugs have been installed yet in the Red and Bonita (this part I am certain of). The Gold King has run AMD water for many years at anywhere between 75 and 300 gpm. So this system was also not completely blocked. Thus the reason that the removal program was trying to assess the collapsed Gold King was to determine what could be done to stop or control the flows from it. So as far as I understand there had been no recent human activity that would have caused additional water/pressure to back up into the Gold King.

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This might be worth a discussion to walk through what information we have walk through these concerns.

Thanks - Joy

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We're only hearing bits and pieces of the situation at Gold King – but from what we gather, there appears to have been a significant buildup and increase in the water flow within the Gold King mine, possibly due to historical work at the American Tunnel and recent work at Red and Bonita.

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